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On 13 July 1948, Yudikin (fru), Polithuro representative from Moscow, was in Vienna with a Soviet colonel to inspect the Austrian Communist 114.41-17M Party. Yudikin is reported to have been a deputy to Marshal Lavrenti Pavlovich Beria. Immediately prior to his arrival in Vienna, Yudikin inspected the Communist Party in Prague.

Yudikin's purpose is to determine whether the Austrian Party harbors pro-Tito elements. The first object of his scrutiny will be the recent trip of Josef Tschofenig, Austrian CP Central Committee member from Carinthia, who allegedly returned from Belgrade several days ago. Another CP Central Committee member, Franz Honner, is also under investigation. The latter is not actually being accused of pro-Tito sympathies, but an investigation is being conducted to "clarify" his position.



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